

CAPITAL CENTER COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes of Wednesday, November 9, 2016

A meeting of the Capital Center Commission (CCC) was held on Wednesday, November 9, 2016 in the 1st Floor Conference Room of the Doorley Municipal Building, 444 Westminster Street, Providence, RI 02903.

1. Roll Call

Members Present: Deming Sherman, Barry Fain, William Kite, Sam Bradner, Collette Creppell, Tracy Barac

Members Absent: Martha Werenfels, John Sinnott, Luis Torrado, Anjali Joshi, Ethan Colaiace, Idrees Ajakaiye, Dorene Conlon, Councilman John Igliazzi, and Chairman of the Committee on Urban Redevelopment, Renewal & Planning

Staff Present: Christopher Ise, Robert Azar

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 12:05 PM, Chairman Sherman presiding. A quorum was not met.

2. Meeting Minutes of Meeting of June 15, 2016 and July 27, 2016

No action was taken on this item.

3. Chairman's Report

Chairman Sherman welcomed new member Tracy Barac.

Chairman Sherman announced that the Parcel 12 hotel project is moving forward, and that the Parcel 6 apartment building has received its building permits. Chairman Sherman gave a brief update on the transportation hub. He noted that he met with the stakeholders group and that the State issued an RFQ, to which they received four responses. The State is now ready to issue an RFP in January. A brief discussion followed regarding the uncertainty of where the hub is to be located. Mr. Azar noted that the project may be inconsistent with City Zoning and the CCC's Design and Development Regulations.

4. State Parking Study

Gerald Salzman of Desman Parking Specialists reported on the progress of the parking study. A PowerPoint was presented. Mr. Salzman noted that they are working with McMahon Associates. Tim Patterson, representing Providence Place Mall, discussed the mall parking situation. In response to a question by Mr. Bradner regarding the client for the parking study, Chairman Sherman replied that it is the State of Rhode Island and the Capital Center Commission. Mr. Salzman explained that the State allows free parking for employees on their lots. It was discussed that the study should provide parking options, which would then be presented to the State. Chairman Sherman added that the motive is to provide an alternative to the new parking lot on Francis Street. No action was taken on this item.

5. Adjournment

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:07 PM.

Barry Fain
Secretary/Treasurer